<u>Patent</u>

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A Carrier for Holding a Flexible Fluid Processing Container

AMENDMENT A

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed August 4, 1999.

An automatic three month extension to time to respond, up to and including February 4, 2000, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

In Figs. 1 and 2, please change reference numeral "160" (umbilicus axis) to -200 as indicated in red in the attached marked-up drawings.

In Figs. 1, 2, and 3, please add reference numeral -- 48 -- (bottom wall), as indicated in red in the attached marked-up drawings.

In Fig. 4, please change reference numeral "46" to -- 64 -- as indicated in red in the attached marked-up drawing.

In Fig. 6, please add reference numeral -- 44 -- (high G wall), as indicated in red in the attached marked-up drawing.

In Fig. 6, please add reference numeral -- 98 -- (PRBC passage), as indicated in red in the attached marked-up drawing.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 8, line 10, please delete "64" and insert -- 42 --.

On Page 9, line 4, please delete "78" and insert -- 76 ---.